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Neisserial Vaccine Compositions And Methods

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

- 1. Fee Transmittal Form (PTO/SB/17);
- 2. Petition For Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(1);
- 3. Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111;
- 5 pages of a paper copy of a sequence listing;
- 5. A computer readable copy of the sequence listing;
- Request to Approve Proposed Drawing Corrections; 6.
- Two (2) sheets of drawings, Figures 7 and 10, with corrections shown in red; 7.
- 8. A certified copy of PCT Patent Application No. PCT/GB00/00624, filed 22 February 2000, priority of which is hereby claimed;

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- A certified copy of Great Britain Patent Application No. 9922561.7, filed CENTER 1600/2900 9. 23 September 1999, priority of which is hereby claimed;
- 10. A certified copy of Great Britain Patent Application No. 9904028.9, filed 22 February 1999, priority of which is hereby claimed;
- Form PTO-2038 Credit Card Payment Form for \$110.00 to cover the extension 11. for response within first month (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)); and
- 12. One (1) return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

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Sir:

Attached are copies of two (2) sheets of drawings, containing proposed corrections to Figures 7 and 10, shown in red. The proposed changes add no new matter to this application. Applicants request that the Examiner approve the proposed corrections. After official communication of such approval, Applicants will make the appropriate corrections to the formal drawings.

Respectfully submitted,

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